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Suggested amendment

1. A purified phenol oxidizing enzyme naturally produced by *Stachybotrys parvispora*, having:
 - (a) apparent molecular weight of about 38 kDa as determined by SDS-PAGE and exhibiting an increase in apparent molecular weight after boiling,
 - (b) pH optimum from 7 to 9.0 inclusive, as determined by incubation for 2 minutes at 20 degrees C with 2,6 dimethoxyphenol, and
 - (c) being capable of modifying the color associate with dyes selected from tannins, carotenoids and anthocyanins.
2. The purified phenol oxidizing enzyme of Claim 1 having pH optimum 6.0 to 7.5 inclusive with syringaldazine as substrate, and 5.0 to 7.0 inclusive with 2,2'-azino-bis(3-ethylbenzothiazoline-6-sulphonate (ATBS) as substrate, as determined by incubation for 2 minutes at 20 degrees C.
3. A detergent composition containing the phenol oxidizing enzyme of Claim 1.